





Investigation Team Press Release

Pierce County Sheriff's Deputy Shooting – 4300 Vickery Avenue

Pierce County Sheriff's Deputies were conducting routine patrol int the vicinity of 112th and Vickery Avenue when they initiated a traffic stop on a suspected DUI driver. After a brief pursuit that was communicated to South Sound 911, the deputies notified Dispatch they had been fired upon and returned gunfire. The deputies received minor injuries. The suspect was injured in the exchange of gunfire, was ultimately removed from the vehicle and transported to a local hospital for treatment.

Pierce County, WA, December 21, 2023:

The suspect in this incident succumbed to his wounds in the hospital on December 16, 2023. The investigation is on-going and there are no new updates to report.

Pierce County, WA, December 14, 2023:

The investigation is active and ongoing. The suspect, identified as Kody Allen, remains hospitalized. There are no new updates to report

Officer Involved Shooting – 4300 Vickery Ave E

On December 12, 2023, at 11:24 p.m., Pierce County Sheriff's Deputies were conducting routine patrol in the vicinity of 112th and Vickery when they initiated a traffic stop on a suspected DUI. Deputies communicated to dispatch that the suspect vehicle was evading the stop, leading to the initiation of a pursuit.

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By 11:28 p.m., in the vicinity of 4300 Vickery Ave E, officers reported to dispatch shots had been fired. Initial reports indicated that Deputies sustained minor injuries but were in stable condition.

Upon the arrival of additional deputies and officers from local agencies at the shooting site, it became evident that the suspect was alive but not complying with law enforcement instructions.

Following a lengthy negotiation, deputies successfully removed the suspect from the vehicle and began providing medical assistance until the fire department arrived to transport him to a local hospital.

The Pierce County Force Investigation Team, comprising members from various law enforcement agencies in Pierce County, was summoned to conduct an independent investigation at the scene.

The involved Pierce County Sheriff's Deputies received treatment for minor injuries and were subsequently placed on administrative leave per departmental policies. The 45-year-old male suspect is currently listed in critical condition at a local hospital.

The Pierce County Force Investigation Team, comprised of members of multiple law enforcement agencies within Pierce County, was called to the scene for the independent investigation. The Pierce County Prosecutor's Office was advised of the incident. The Washington State Office of Investigations was also advised.

The involved Pierce County Deputies have been placed on administrative leave in accordance with their departmental policies.

The investigation is ongoing.

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